Serial No. 10/518,211

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

PATENT PU020299 Customer No. 24498

Reply to Final Office Action of February 16, 2010

APR 2 8 2010

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s)

Carl L. Christensen, et al.

Serial No.

10/518,211

Filed

December 16, 2004

Title

:LINEARLY EXPANDABLE BROADCAST

ROUTER APPARATUS

Examiner

Jeffrey M. Rutkowski

Art Unit

2473

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

Mail Stop: RCE

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia, 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated February 16, 2010, having a shortened period for response that expires on May 16, 2010, Applicants hereby submit the following Response with the accompanying Remarks in connection with an RCE being filed concurrently herewith. Entry of this response and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

L 28, 2010

TOTAL PAGES: 10

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted, Via Facsimile, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Mail Stop: Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on date below.

 $()_{I_{-}}$

Date

Lois Greene